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SEC. 1103. REPEAL OF DEADLINE FOR PLACEMENT CONSIDERATION OF INVOLUNTARILY SEPARATED MILITARY RESERVE TECHNICIANS.

(a) REPEAL OF DEADLINE.—Section 3329(b) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking out "not later than 6 months after the date of the application".

(b) TECHNICAL CORRECTION.—Such section is further amended by striking out "a position described in subsection (c)" the second

SEC. 1104. RATE OF PAY OF DEPARTMENT OF DEFENSE OVERSEAS TEACHERS UPON TRANSFER TO GENERAL SCHEDULE POSITION.

(a) PREVENTION OF EXCESSIVE INCREASES.—Section 5334(d) of title 5, United States Code, is amended by striking out "20 percent" and all that follows and inserting in lieu thereof "an amount determined under regulations which the Secretary of Defense shall prescribe for the determination of the yearly rate of pay of the position. The amount by which a rate of pay is increased under the regulations may not exceed the amount equal to 20 percent of that rate of pay.".

(b) EFFECTIVE DATE AND SAVINGS PROVISION.—(1) The amend- 5 USC 5334 notement made by subsection (a) shall take effect 180 days after the

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(2) In the case of a person who is employed in a teaching position referred to in section 5334(d) of title 5, United States Code, on the day before the effective date under paragraph (1), the rate of pay of that person determined under that section (as in effect on that day) may not be reduced by reason of the amendment made by subsection (a) for so long as the person continues to serve in that position or another such position without a break to serve in that position or another such position without a break in service of more than three days on or after that day.

SEC. 1105. GARNISHMENT AND INVOLUNTARY ALLOTMENT.

Section 5520a of title 5, United States Code, is amended—
(1) in subsection (j), by striking out paragraph (2) and inserting in lieu thereof the following new paragraph:
"(2) Such regulations shall provide that an agency's administrative costs in executing a garnishment action may be added to the garnishment, and that the agency may retain costs recovered as offsetting collections.";
(2) in subsection (k)—

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(A) by striking out paragraph (3); and(B) by redesignating paragraph (4) as paragraph (3); and

(3) by striking out subsection (1).

SEC. 1106. EXTENSION AND REVISION OF VOLUNTARY SEPARATION INCENTIVE PAY AUTHORITY.

(a) REMITTANCE TO CSRS FUND.—Section 5597 of title 5, United States Code, is amended by adding at the end the following new

"(h)(1)(A) In addition to any other payment that it is required to make under subchapter III of chapter 83 or chapter 84, the Department of Defense shall remit to the Office of Personnel Management an amount equal to 15 percent of the final basic pay of each covered employee.

NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION ACT FOR FISCAL YEAR 1998 SECTION 1106 SUMMARY

The President signed the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 1998 on November 18, 1997. The following information summarizes the significant provisions of only that section of the Act (Section 1106) which deals directly with the Voluntary Separation Incentive Pay (VSIP) program administered by the Civilian Personnel Management Service. Civilian Assistance and Re-Employment Division.

Sec 1106. Extension and Revision of Voluntary Separation Incentive Pay Authority.

- The Department's authority for VSIP is extended from September 30, 1999, to September 30, 2001.
- * For each use of VSIP on or after October 1, 1997, the Department must remit 15 percent of the final, annual basic pay of the separating employee to the Office of Personnel Management. These payments will be credited to the Civil Service Retirement and Disability Fund for both Civil Service Retirement System employees.
- * The Federal Workforce Restructuring Act of 1994 previously required a 9 percent payment for each employee retiring under the Voluntary Early Retirement Authority (VERA) and receiving a VSIP; this payment is no longer required.

Note: This is not a summary of all portions of the Act related to civilian personnel administration.